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C O N F I D E N T I A L BANGKOK 19142

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TAGS: PFOR, PINR, MARR, MOPS, TH, UK, XO, US

SUBJECT: CHATCHAI RESIGNATION REJECTED

REF: BANGKOK 18954

1. LOCAL PRESS DECEMBER 5 REPORTED PRIME MINISTER SANYA HAS ASKED DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER CHATCHAI CHUNHAWAN TO POSTPONE RESIGNATION PENDING "FINALIZATION IN THE PURCHASE OF CRUDES FROM THE MIDDLE EAST". THIS IS REFERENCE TO CHATCHAI'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH SEVERAL M-E OIL PRODUCERS DURING HIS RECENT TRIP.

2. A KEY FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL TOLD THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR DECEMBER 6 THAT SANYA HAD INDEED ASKED CHATCHAI TO STAY ON. THE OFFICIAL SAID THAT CHATCHAI NEVERTHELESS WAS CONTINUING TO CARRY ON HIS CAMPAIGN FOR PARLIAMENT IN KORAT PROVINCE AND, IN FACT, MIGHT NOT MAKE IT BACK TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY THE EVENING OF DECEMBER 6 FOR THE MINISTRY'S ANNUAL RECEPTION FOR THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS  
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ON THE OCCASION OF THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

3. COMMENT: DESPITE CONTINUING TO SERVE AS DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER, CHATCHAI PERSISTS IN BEING HIS OWN MAN. WE WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT HE WOULD BE SPENDING A GOOD SHARE OF THE ENSUING WEEKS IN KORAT, AND WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT HE WILL FOLLOW UP ON HIS DIEGO GARCIA TRIP REQUEST AT THIS STAGE.

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